WOOD PROMOTED BY PREFERMENT

Gen I. H. Wilson, U. S. A. Retired, Says it Was Not Warranted By His Merit.

BOOSTED WOOD.

Wilson Declares That the Ex-Convict Correspondent Was Standing. By His Friends.

Washington, Dec. 8 .- In the investigation of charges against Gen, Wood today M. C. Fosnes, a postoffice inspector, identified a copy of a letter which he had written to the fourth assistant postmaster-general under date of Oct. 8, 1901, recounting the incidents connected with a visit he had received from Judge Ortiz, president of the audienca, which court tried the Cuban postal cases.

The Spanish version of the report was filed as documentary evidence and used by the Cuban judges in the trials. The witness was asked if he considered the report ex-parte evidence and nonpartisan. He replied that it was the official report. He was asked to state his office in Cuba, and replied that he succeeded Maj. Rathbone as directorgeneral of posts.

Maj. Edgar S. Dudley, U. S. A., who served in Cuba as judge-advocate under Gen. Wood, said that when Gen. Wood received the application of the Jai Alai company for a concession to erect a "frontier" for playing the Cuban erect a "frontier" for playing the Cuban game of pelota, the application had been referred to him for investigation. After referred to him for investigation. After making a thorough inquiry into the character of the game the witness said he had informed Gen. Wood that he should refuse to indorse the application on the ground that the game was a gambling institution. He said that the application had been changed to represent the mere building of an amusement amphitheater, and that in that form it had received the approval of the war department. The concession to the Jai Alai company was subsequently granted by Gen. Wood.

Gen. J. H. Wilson, U. S. A., retired, told the committee of the meeting with Capt. E. C. Bellairs at Havana, saying that he became convinced that Bellairs came to Havana for the purpose of wil-

came to Havana for the purpose of wil-fully falsifying conditions in the island; that Heliairs called on him at the head-quarters in the province of Matanzas, and that he (Gen. Wilson), then accused

and that he (Gen. Wilson), then accused Bellairs of wiring dispatches which gave a wrong color to affairs in the island and injured the work of Gen. Brooke and others.

The witness said that Bellairs admitted that he was standing by his friends, declaring that his position was a necessary one. Gen. Wilson said the remark could have had but one meaning, and that was that he was backing Gen. Wood, and that this was evident from the nature of Bellairs' dispatches. The witness asserted it to be his belief that Bellairs went to Havana for the purpose of promoting the advancement purpose of promoting the advancement of Gen. Wood. When asked concerning the rapid

strides made by Gen. Wood in jumping over himself (Gen. Wilson), and Gens. Ludlow and Lee, the witness showed a feeling of bitterness against Gen. Wood. The effect of the response was that he considered the promotion was

THE MAYOR OF NEW SMYRNA, FLORIDA.

WRITES A LETTER TO THE BOME OF VINOL.

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"We have continually been publishing facts about the great good Vinol has been doing right here in town," explained Mr. Druehl of Druehl & Franken, our well known druggists, "and it is with pride we are permitted to publish herewith a letter from a far-off city, showing that the unquestionable merit of Vinol is being recognized in all parts of the country. The Hon. C. G. Hesse, Mayor of New Smyrna, Fla., writes:

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Bankrupteies Becoming Fewer. Washington, Dec. 8.—The annual report of E. C. Brandenburg, attorney in charge of bankruptcy matters in the department of justice, shows that 14,308 voluntary petitions in bankruptcy were filed throughout the United States for the year ending Sept. 30, 1903, which is more than 2,000 less than were filed during any of the preceding years since the enactment of the law on July

The states showing the largest number of cases filed during the year are: Alabama, 1,797: New York, 1,546: Illinois, 1,439; Massachusetts, 1,238; Maine, 793; Ohio, 585. Seven hundred and sixty-two petitions were dismissed, while the petitioners in the remaining cases were adjudicated bankrupt

Wool Growers of Idaho Meet.

Boise, Ida., Dec. 8,-The meeting of the Idaho Wool-Growers' association began today. President McMillan and began today. President McMilian and Sccy. Gwynn addressed the meeting and reported the condition of the association as viewed from their respective offices. It was shown that while the number of sheep in the state has decreased considerably during the past 12 months, the association is on a better footing than ever. Over 100 new members have been added to the roll during the year, and the organization is on a sound financial basis.

The courtesy of the floor was extended to C. F. Martin, secretary of the National Live Stock association and the Independent Packing company, who spoke of the various problems before

spoke of the various problems before the cattle and sheepmen, dwelling upon the forest reserve question, the re-clamation of arid lands and transpor-

Mr. Martin also outlined the aims of the Independent Packing company, which organization, he said, was pre-paring to erect a \$5,000,000 plant at some central point in the west, through which the product of its members might be handled and distributed to better advantage than at present. Fighty delegates were chosen to attend the convention of the National Live Stock association in Portland in January.

NEGROES PENNED UP.

Not Allowed to Register and Co.

Treasurer Driven from Office. Norfolk, Va., Dec. 8.—Democrats in ne town of Berkley have driven County Treasurer Lyons from his office, where, it is charged, he was registering negro voters, and have the negroes penned up in one section of the town. The streets are filled with men armed with shotguns, and a request will be made for a company of militia from Norfolk or Portsmouth at once. Serious trouble

DECISION ON LANDS.

Widows of Soldiers will Have to Reside on Lands They Enter.

Washington, Dec. 8 .- To nullify attempts of cattle companies and others to obtain public lands in violation of the law, the secretary of the interior today overruled former decisions of the department that widows or minor or-phans of soldiers or saliors do not have to reside on the land on which they make homestead entry. The decision, which affects a large number of cases, and which has an important bearing on the public land frauds, is made in the case of Mrs. Ann Bowes, who made entry on lerid in the Broken Bow dis-trict in Nebraska.

trict in Nebraska.

Mrs. Bowes claimed the right of entry as the widow of a sailor in the Civil war under a section of the revised statutes which allows such dependents to make homestead entries with credit for the time of the soldier's or sailor's military or naval service. It was admitted this case was made under an agreement with the Sinday. under an agreement with the Standard Cattle company, whereby Mrs. Bowes at the time of the entry leased the land to the company with a further agree ment that the company should I the option of purchasing the land. The department decides that Mrs. Bowes is required to maintain residence on the land and that her agreement with the company invalidated the entry and requires its cancellation.

CANADIAN BOYS.

Minister Sifton Would Have Them Taught to Use the Rifle.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 8.—Clifford Sifton, minister of the interior, in his speech before the Canada club declared that any preference which was not mutually any preference which was not mutually advantageous to Britain and Canada alike would not have his support.

He said he regretted to see Canada represented in the United States as a squalling infant crying out for something which we could not get and threatening to leave the empire if we did not get it. Mr. Sifton declared that he objected to anyone saying that Canada had to be bribed to remain loyal to the empire.

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Canada did require land defenses, but there was no need of a large standing army. Mr. Sifton showed how Canarmy. Mr. Sifton showed now Can-adian militia had improved in recent years, and said he had suggested to the minister of militia that every school boy should be taught to use a rifle when he was 21 years of age, and it should be presented to him.

NORTHERN SECURITIES CASE Briefs in Its Behalf Filed in the U. S. Supreme Court.

Washington, Dec. 8 .- Briefs in behalf of the Northern Securities company and the Northern Facific Railway com-pany in the case of the United States pany in the case of the United States vs those two companies and the Great Northern company, were filed in the supreme court today. The brief of the Securities company is by George B. Young, and that of the Northern Pacific by C. W. Bunn. Mr. Young's brief is a document of over 300 pages, and in it he traces minutely the origin of the merger. The movement for this consolidation he attributes largely to the raid of May 1901, by hostitle interests on Northern Pacific stock, which it was considered most important to prevent. He said:

to prevent. He said: "The Union Pacific interests still held \$37,000,000 of the Northern Pacific common stock. Between \$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000 were not held by either of the parties. The loss of \$3,000,000 from the majority holdings might occur from various causes, and the attack just defeated might be renewed with success by the same or other assailants."

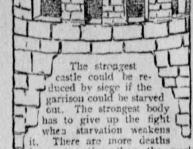
He says that in this emergency Messrs. Morgan and Hill saw clearly

Messrs. Morgan and Hill saw clearly that they must depend upon themselves and not upon the law for protection. They had every reason to believe, Mr. Young continues, that such a holding as that of the Union Pacific in the Northern Pacific was not contrary to the anti-trust law, and the "inaction of the attorney-general showed that this was also the opinion of that high official charged with the enforcement of the anti-trust act."

the anti-trust act." The first idea was to form a trust company, but Mr. Young says it was quickly abandonded. The first thought was to incorporate under the laws of

was to incorporate under the laws of Minnesota, but it was found impracticable to secure an acceptable character in that state, consequently the papers were filed in New Jersey. The brief of Mr. Bunn is an argument to show that the action of the two tailroad companies did not come within the anti-trust act. He says: "The statute must be interpreted so as to fall within the executive powers of Congress, Construed as the circuit court read it or as the learned attorney-general asks to have it read, the act seems to us far beyond the scope of those powers. It is nothing less than an overturning of all

brought about by preferment rather than warranted by merit.



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settled rules upon the subject to say that the power of Congress extends to determining in what corporations stock may be held by citizens of the state, or that it extends to the regulations of the consolidation and merger companies chartered by the states."

Smugglers Landed in Jail.

Port Townsend, Wash., Dec. 8.—The United States revenue tug Arcata, Capt. Harry Hamlet, today made one of the most important captures of the year when it overhauled a sloop with five contraband Chinese and two white men on board. One of the white men men on board. One of the white men is the notorious Wilkes one of the most troublesome Chinese smugglers in the northwest. The prisones were jailed here and the sloop is guarded by a detail of men from the Arcata.



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